

MASS ROSTER

Date	Time	Commentator	Lector	Music	Minister	Minister	Data
20/Mar	5:30pm	McGovern	Sutton	Edis	Gash	Maloney	Goonan J
21/Mar	8:00am	Burgess	Burgess Peter	McAuliffe	Tooth	Burgess Peter	Volunteer
	10:am	Martens	Donebus	Dewhirst	Martens	Brown	Moses
27/Mar	5:30pm	Goonan J	Webber	Dewhirst	Goonan J	Masterson	Munn
28/Mar	8:00am	Harris	Hollis	Edis	Lieschke	Carrol	Brady
	10:am	Temple-Brown	Baker	Carroll	Terry	Vanlierop	Locke

LAST WEEKS COLLECTIONS INCLUDING DIRECT GIVING

1st Collection \$816.85 2nd Collection \$1,819.75 Thank you!

PREFERRED PLANNED GIVING OPTIONS

Second Collection: Direct debit to the Parish account BSB 066 789 A/C No 100005658, which is our parish working account, showing your surname as reference, no tax deduction.

First Collection: For priests in the diocese, BSB 066 789 A/C No 100005657 also showing your surname as reference, no tax deduction.

PARISH CALENDAR

16 March: mainly music: Due to change in COVID guidelines mm will combined group A and B from Tuesday March 16th. Contact Bernadette 0477887783

16 March: Ultreya, 7.30pm at 4 Scenic Pde at Settlers Village, 1 Franklin Dr. Estella.

17 March: CHOIR PRACTICE: As choir is allowed back for Mass we are after some new members to join especially with Easter coming. Our first practice will be on Wednesday 17th March at 7 pm, so love some new voices. If you could let me know who of you are available for Easter it would be great, Kath 040869551.

21 March Combined Schools Sunday Mass 10am.

30 March: Mass of the Oils in St Michael Cathedral at 11am.

EASTER CELEBRATION

PALM SUNDAY –27th/28th March: Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 8am & 10am

RITE OF RECONCILIATION – 29th March, 7pm, **South Wagga** 10am.

HOLY THURSDAY – 1st April: **7.30pm**

GOOD FRIDAY – 2nd April **Stations of the Cross 11am**

GOOD FRIDAY – 2nd April: **3.00pm Liturgy**

EASTER WEEKEND **3rd April Easter Vigil 7:30pm**

4th April Easter Sunday 8 am & 10am



Sacred Heart Parish Koorinal

13th/14th March, 2021

Sunday Mass Times:

Sat. Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 8am and 10am

Daily Mass Times:

Monday, Wednesday: Friday 5:45pm

Tuesday-Thursday 7am.

Saturday: 9.30am

Changes of Mass times on Chapel door.

Reconciliation: Sat. 10.00am-10.30am

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WE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Bob Barclay, Beth Gillard, Eileen Gaynor, Theresa Gallucci, Rosalind Lim, Terry Phegan, Camilla McLaughlin (Dublin). Dorothy Waterford, Frances Melloney Wade, Peter Koth, Sharon Taylor.

ANNIVERSARIES/ REMEMBRANCES: Kathleen Meekin.

SICK: Ilona Gortva, Laurence Roche, Dorothy Castle, William Trist, Miriam McCoy, Joanne Huckel, , Mary Condell, Shivaun Clifton, Barry Parnell, Hayden O'Callaghan, June Kimber, Denise Goonan, Adam Horsley, Finley Owens, Shirley Gabriel, Brianna Papworth, Harry Edmonds, Jeff Edwards, Joan Taylor, Gwen Castle. Danitsa Moses, Margaret Casey, Fran Ellis, Steven Bourke, Stephen Buchanan, Ian Buchanan, David Pulver (Millie Bright's Father)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Three new members were warmly welcomed to the Council on Tuesday 9th March. They are Warwick Grundy, Vincent Powell and Brian Walker.

The joy of welcoming new blood was saddened by the retirement of Bill van Wel. Bill has been a great contributor over the years and he will be missed. He represented, and frequently spoke up for, a very important group of parishioners.

Fr Plunkett left \$50,000 to the parish in his will, to be spent at the discretion of the Parish. Some ideas were thrown round. However we would like to hear from parishioners also before we make a decision. Two suggestions under consideration are paying for major repairs to the roof of the Parish Centre roof and something to acknowledge Fr Plunkett's pride of 'his' schools. Suggestions can be emailed to shkparishcouncil@gmail.com or made personally to any parish council members.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YR B

To prepare for next Sunday's Mass go to St Louis Jesuits – The Centre for Liturgy website: <http://liturgy.slu.edu> and/or Jerusalem Bible Translation of Readings: <http://www.universalis.com/>

FIRST READING: A reading from the book of Chronicles 36:14-16.19-23

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy. Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.' And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven" has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 136

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps.

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's songs.'

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil?

If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys!

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 2:4-10

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ — it is through grace that you have been saved —and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had

meant us to live it.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 3.16

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus: The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPEL CONNECTION

THE POPE ON HIS VISIT TO IRAQ

In the past few days, the Lord allowed me to [visit Iraq](#), carrying out a project of [Saint John Paul II](#). Never before has a Pope been in the land of Abraham. Providence willed that this should happen now, as a sign of hope, after years of war and terrorism, and during a severe pandemic.

After this Visit, my soul is filled with gratitude – gratitude to God and to all those who made it possible:

I strongly felt a penitential sense regarding this pilgrimage: I could not draw near to that tortured people, to that martyr-Church, without taking upon myself, in the name of the Catholic Church, the cross they have been carrying for years; a huge cross, like the one placed at the entrance of Qaraqosh. I felt it particularly seeing the wounds still open from the destruction, and even more so when meeting and hearing the testimony of those who survived the violence, persecution, exile... And at the same time, I saw around me the joy of welcoming Christ's messenger; I saw the hope of being open to a horizon of peace and fraternity, summed up in Jesus's words that were the motto of the Visit: "*You are all brothers*" (Mt 23:8). I found this hope in the discourse of the President of the Republic. I discovered it again in the many greetings and testimonies, in the hymns and gestures of the people. I read it on the luminous faces of the young people and in the vivacious eyes of the elderly. People stood waiting for the Pope for 5 hours, even women with children in their arms. They waited and there was hope in their eyes. (General Audience 9 March 2021, www.vatican.va)